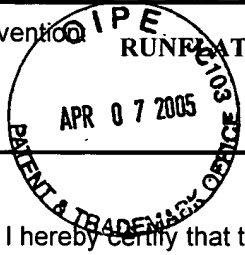
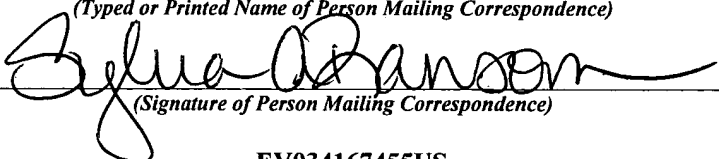


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Invention: <b>RUNFLAT INSERT FOR TIRES AND MATERIALS THEREFOR</b>				
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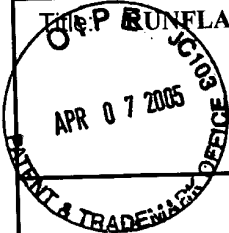
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In Re Application Of: RHYNE et al.

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
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**THIS IS A RUNFLAT INSERT FOR TIRES AND MATERIALS THEREFOR**



COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is:

- 1) Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.48(a) to Correct Inventorship With Statement and Consent included, and
- 2) Amendment to Correct the Reference to a Prior-Filed Application Under 35 USC 120 and Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.78

in the above identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.
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*E. Martin Remick*

Signature

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Dated: April 7, 2005

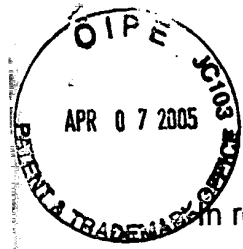
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**AMENDMENT**

**Under 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a) to Correct Inventorship**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 116 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.48, Applicant hereby submits this Amendment to add Michael D. Grah as a co-Inventor to the above-identified Application. Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment be entered.

**REMARKS.**

Applicant's Attorney, Mr. Farley, filed the above-identified Application on January 14, 2004. At that time, an attempt was made to contact Mr. Michael D. Grah (who had left employment with Michelin in July 2001) but Mr. Grah was not accessible. Because the 30 month time period in which to file a National Patent Application was about to expire (based on the July 19, 2001 priority date), the Application was filed with the Declaration of the other three co-Inventors without Mr. Grah's signature. When Mr. Grah

was later contacted, he was sent a copy of the Application and necessary documents for his execution. Mr. Grah did sign a Declaration and Power of Attorney for the present Application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(3), the Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Mr. Grah is included with this Amendment. The prior executed Declaration by the other three co-Inventors has already been submitted and is part of the file record.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(2), included with this Amendment is a Statement from Mr. Grah that the error in Inventorship occurred without deceptive intent on his part.

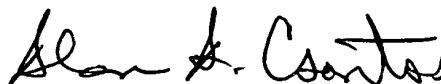
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(5), a Consent signed by the Assignee of the Application is included with this Amendment.

Hence, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(1), Applicant requests that the Inventorship be corrected by adding "Michael D. Grah" as an additional co-Inventor in the present Application. This occurrence arose without any deceptive intent on the part of the Applicant.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(4), please charge the processing fee due under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) to Deposit Account No. 13-3085.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment be entered to correct the Inventorship in the Application.

Respectfully submitted,



Alan A. Csontos  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 27,122

Dated: 17 March 2005

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**STATEMENT**  
**Under 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(2)**

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Dear Sir:

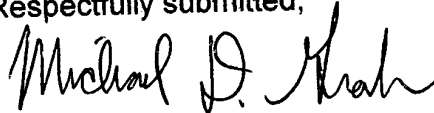
Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 116 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.48, I, Michael D. Grah, hereby submit the following Statement:

**STATEMENT.**

I, Michael D. Grah, hereby state that I am a co-Inventor of the Subject Matter contained in the above-identified Application for Patent. I left the employment of Michelin in July 2001. I understand that someone from Michelin tried to contact me on or about January 14, 2004 to sign the Declaration papers, but I was not accessible. Because the date on which this National Patent Application had to be filed was to occur, the Application was filed with the signature of the other three co-Inventors but without

my signature on the Declaration. Later, when I was again contacted by Michelin and sent the Application and related documents for execution. I reviewed and signed the Declaration and Power of Attorney, which I am informed, will be sent in with my Statement. The reason that I did not sign the prior Declaration was because I was in not readily accessible at the time the Application was filed. There was and is no deceptive intent on my part in this occurrence. I respectfully request that the Amendment to Correct Inventorship and add me as an Inventor be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael D. Grah". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Grah" being the most prominent parts.

Michael D. Grah

Dated: 3/11/05

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**CONSENT**  
**Under 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(5)**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This Consent is made pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 116 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(a)(5).

**CONSENT.**

The Subject Matter contained in and the above-identified Application for Patent was assigned to Michelin Recherche et Technique, S.A. by a document executed on January 13, 2004 by each of the co-Inventors Timothy B. Rhyne, Steven M. Cron and Kenneth W. Demino. This document was sent to the United States Patent and Trademark Office for recordal, and was recorded on January 14, 2004 on Reel/Frame 014905/0828, all as evidenced by the Patent Office Assignment records.

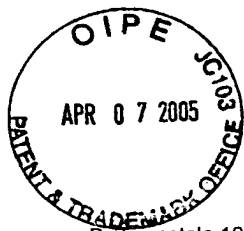
As Assignee, this Consent is made under 37 C.F.R. 1.48(a)(5) to state that the Assignee has no concern with adding "Michael D. Grah" as a co-Inventor in the above-identified Application for Patent. It is respectfully requested that the Amendment to Correct Inventorship by adding Michael D. Grah as an Inventor be entered.

Respectfully submitted,

~~Dated:~~ E. Martin Remick  
April 05, 2005

E. Martin Remick  
Power of Attorney for  
Michelin Recherche et Technique, S.A.





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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, **Michelin Recherche et Technique S. A.**, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Switzerland (the « Corporation »), having its registered office at route Louis-Braille 10 et 12, CH-1763 Granges-Paccot, Switzerland, duly represented by **Paul GALLEY**, Member of the Board, hereby appoints **Martin REMICK** as Authorized Representative for the Corporation for the following purpose:

*With respect to intellectual property matters, to execute any and all documentation and/or to perform all acts necessary or useful, on behalf of Michelin Recherche et Technique S. A., to effect the filing, prosecution, issuance, maintenance, assignment, enforcement and licensing of MRT owned patents, trademarks, copyrights and domain names, and related documents.*

Granges-Paccot, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2004.

**Michelin Recherche et Technique S. A.**

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**Paul GALLEY**

Member of the Board having signature authority